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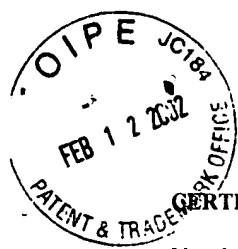
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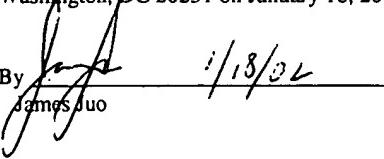


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continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/138,472, now U.S. Patent No. 6,179,832; which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 08/927,251, now U.S. Patent No. 6,200,312.

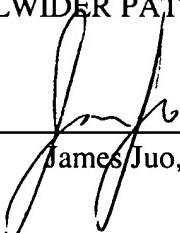
These prior applications are relied upon by the present application for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120. Hence, no copies of the documents listed in the enclosure are being provided with this paper as copies are available in the parent applications. 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d). Applicant respectfully requests that each of the listed documents be considered by the Office.

Applicant has not received a first Office Action on the merits in the present application and it is therefore believed that no fee is required for submission of this paper. 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). However, if a fee is in fact due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-2425.

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